

4729:5-5-14

**Prescription pick-up station.**

(A) No pharmacist shall accept prescriptions obtained from a place which offers, in any manner, its services as a "pick-up station" or intermediary for the purpose of having prescriptions filled unless such place is a pharmacy as defined in section 4729.01 of the Revised Code and all of the following apply:

- (1) The site is licensed as a terminal distributor of dangerous drugs pursuant to Chapter 4729. of the Revised Code;
- (2) The receipt, storage, control, and distribution of prescriptions are in the full and actual charge of a pharmacist licensed pursuant to Chapter 4729. of the Revised Code;
- (3) A record keeping system is in place that will provide accountability for proper receipt, delivery, disposal and return of all prescriptions;
- (4) There is a documented method in place to ensure compliance with rule 4729:5-5-09 of the Administrative Code.

(B) No pharmacist shall dispense dangerous drugs to a place which offers, in any manner, its services as a "pick-up station" or intermediary for the purpose of having prescriptions filled or delivered unless such place is a pharmacy as defined in section 4729.01 of the Revised Code or, if not a pharmacy, all of the following apply:

- (1) The site is licensed as a terminal distributor of dangerous drugs pursuant to Chapter 4729. of the Revised Code, unless exempted pursuant to section 4729.541 of the Revised Code or a waiver is granted by the board.
- (2) There is clear and convincing evidence that delivery of a prescription medication directly to the patient would result in:
  - (a) Danger to public health or safety; or
  - (b) Danger to the patient without increased involvement by a health care professional in the patient's drug therapy.
- (3) The receipt, storage, control, and distribution of dangerous drugs are in the full and actual charge of a health care professional licensed pursuant to Chapter 4715., 4723., 4729., 4730., 4731., or 4741. of the Revised Code.
- (4) A record keeping system is in place that will provide accountability for proper receipt, delivery, disposal and return of all prescription medications. Unless donated to a drug repository program pursuant to section 3715.87 of the Revised Code, a dangerous drug that is not distributed to a patient shall either:

- (a) Be returned to the dispensing pharmacy for disposal; or
  - (b) If the pick-up station is licensed a terminal distributor of dangerous drugs, be disposed of in accordance the applicable rules set forth in this division of the Administrative Code.
- (5) There is a documented method in place to ensure compliance with rule 4729:5-5-09 of the Administrative Code.
- (C) The state board of pharmacy may restrict a site from acting as a pick-up station if it has clear and convincing evidence that the activities of the pick-up station present the following:
  - (1) Danger to public health or safety; or
  - (2) Danger to the patient.

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